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The references were cited in the Japanese Office Action dated January 20, 2009 issued on corresponding Japanese Patent Application No. 2002-245887.

A summary/abstract translation of the non-English language references BA-BC is enclosed, along with a full translation of the non-English language reference CA.

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